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(54) Title: METHODS FOR IDENTIFYING MODULATORS OF BS69 ACTIVITY  (57) Abstract  An endogenous human protein designated BS69 is identified as a new modulator of the Transforming Growth Factor- $\beta$ (TGF- $\beta$ ) cell signalling pathway. Methods are provided to identify compounds that interfere with the biological activity of BS69 on the TGF- $\beta$ cell signalling pathway. Such compounds have potential as therapeutic agents.		